

Rep. Sanchez Applauds Nominee Joseph "Joe" Pak's Record of Service

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Congresswoman Loretta Sanchez (CA-47) today issued the following statement regarding President Obama's nomination of Garden Grove resident Joseph "Joe" Pak to the National Council on Disability:

"I would like to congratulate my dear friend Joe Pak on his recent nomination to the National Council on Disability. I have known Mr. Pak for many years and cannot think of a more qualified, deserving individual for this appointment. I am proud to support his nomination.

"Mr. Pak is a well known and well-respected advocate for Orange County's disabled community, and is well-suited to represent our nation on the National Council on Disability. I personally recommended him for this position, and I commend the President for nominating Mr. Pak to this prestigious and important Council.

"Mr. Pak understands firsthand what it's like to be disabled, as he is paralyzed in his left arm. He has greatly contributed to Orange County's community by serving on the Special Needs Advisory Board for the Orange County Transit Authority and on the California State Rehabilitation Council, where he focused on increasing the low employment rate among people with disabilities. He is also a former Board Member and Program Chair for the Korean Health Education, Information, and Research Center.

"I have no doubt that Mr. Pak will continue to be an effective advocate in his new role on the National Council on Disability. I look forward to working with Mr. Pak and his colleagues on the Council to ensure that all individuals with disabilities are provided equal opportunities in their personal and professional lives."

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